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Around D-M

AEF deployment

Aerospace Expeditionary Force 1 and 2 deployment processing is scheduled for Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Building 4859. Call 8-4500 for more information.

Halloween hours

This year's trick-or-treat hours are Oct. 31 from 5 to 8 p.m. To help provide a safe environment for trick-or-treaters, security forces and volunteers from around the base will conduct a walking patrol covering all major streets in the housing areas. **Safety tips:** Children should not eat candy until it is inspected by an adult; should walk while crossing streets; trick-or-treat in familiar neighborhoods; and should avoid yards and lawns where unseen objects could cause a tripping hazard. Call Master Sgt. David Wilson at 8-2426 to volunteer for the walking patrol or for more information.

Legal and MPF hours

The 355th Wing Law Center and the military personnel flight will have extended hours Nov. 8. In addition to regular legal assistance hours, the law center will be open from 4:30 to 8 p.m. for walk-in legal assistance. Customer service at the MPF will be open from 7:15 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Days since
last D-M DUI:

33



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(Current as of Thursday)

Member takes first at AFSA

By Senior Airman
Shanda De Anda
Public affairs

The Air Force Services Agency announced Davis-Monthan Air Force Base's Tech. Sgt. Clyde Kebodeaux, 355th Operations Support Squadron wing weapons and tactics NCO in charge, as its first place winner during the fourth annual Air Force Club Membership Scholarships awards. Kebodeaux was presented with his award, a \$5,000 check, Oct. 10.

"One of the biggest advantages of this program is that it promotes secondary education in the military community and helps to provide the financial means to reach that goal," Kebodeaux said. "I was very fortunate to have a mentor like Senior Master Sergeant Dennis Dixon (41st Electronic Combat Squadron) who helped me with the organization of my essay."

In an effort to help military and family members with the costs of higher education, the Air Force Club Membership Program is helping to sponsor three individuals with a combined total of \$10,000 in scholarship money. A sponsorship agreement with the First USA Bank also helped to provide these scholarships.

Club members and their families were given the opportunity to submit an essay on "Air Force Clubs—A Professional Privilege." More than 370 essays were submitted; Kebodeaux's essay was the best out of the 90 essays to make it to the final competition.

"The essays submitted this year were outstanding and projected the meaning of what the Air Force Clubs

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Staff Sgt. Justin Pyle

A&A Days on final approach

(Above) With precision, the Thunderbird Slot (No. 4) pilot transitions from trail formation back to the diamond formation. With Davis-Monthan Air Force Base's Aerospace and Arizona Days 2000 airshow only 15 days away, security forces officials are asking for everyone's cooperation on the days of the show. The following restrictions apply: no coolers, no pets, no smoking, no skateboards and no bikes will be allowed on the flightline. Civilian entry to the base will be through the Swan Road and Craycroft Road gates only, opening at 8 a.m. Department of Defense traffic, including airshow staff are required to use the Wilmot Road gate. Bus shuttles will run from housing and the 355th Medical Group. Call Master Sgt. Walt Voltz at 8-4848 for more information. Upcoming issues of the Desert Airman will offer more information and a flightline map.

Commander's Corner

Commander's Salute

This week, I salute members of the 355th Civil Engineer Squadron, who showed the Air Combat Command Curtain Award team who the best civil engineer team in ACC is. Well done!



Col. Bobby Wilkes
355th Wing Commander

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a common goal we all share as members of Team D-M.

Ideas, suggestions, comments and kudos are an important ingredient for continuous improvement.

The fastest way to pass along comment or to get an answer to your concern is to contact the agency chief or functional manager listed here.

Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is available 24 hours a day, at 8-4747, or you can send an e-mail to us at: 355thWing.CommandersCorner@dm.af.mil.

If you leave your name, phone number and a message, you'll receive a prompt reply, either in writing or by telephone. We will honor your confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather additional information. If your concern is of general interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the *Desert Airman*.

Anonymous calls may not be published in

the newspaper, we recommend you leave a contact phone number if you'd like us to provide an answer.

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Chaplain	8-5411
Civil Engineering	8-3401
Clinic	8-2930
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Family Support	8-5690
Fitness Center	8-3714
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Equal Opportunity Office	8-5509
Military Personnel	8-5689
Public Affairs	8-3204
Security Forces	8-6178
Services	8-5596
Transportation	8-3584

Yard inspections

Comment: What are the criteria for weekly yard inspections? The reason I am asking is because there is a house with a lawn that is basically dead. I thought if your yard was not within the guidelines, housing inspectors wrote you up on their weekly yard inspections. If something was not correct, you were issued a reminder notice. And if that was not corrected by the following week, a citation would be issued. And after three write-ups you could be kicked off base. I have already been to housing and brought this to their attention, but nothing is being

done about this yard.

Response: You are correct on the weekly yard inspections in family housing. The housing office issues a discrepancy notice for yards and exteriors not being maintained according to the published standards. Failure to correct the discrepancy will result in a second notice. Continued failure to correct the discrepancy could result in eviction from base housing. In the case you identified, the residents are in the progress of converting their yard to water saving, desert landscaping. His request was approved in early

September and is awaiting delivery of materials this month. Self-help desert landscaping projects are highly encouraged. These projects save water, beautify yards and are much easier to maintain. Civil engineers provide the materials, tools and a portion of ground preparation, while the resident provides the labor. Call Beth Wilson, housing facilities chief, at 8-6609 for more information about desert landscaping self-help projects or yard care standards.

Out of softballs

Comment: We haven't had new

softballs in about three weeks. The gym tells us they do not have any money. What is going on?

Response: Thank you for your inquiry. Unfortunately, not enough softballs were ordered and stockpiled prior to the start of the season. However, new softballs were purchased for the new season. In the future, we will scrutinize our ordering process more closely to ensure we have what is needed for each sports season. Call Robert Gibson, fitness center director, at 8-4556 if you have any further questions or concerns about any of our sports programs.

Your Final Answer?

What is your favorite Tucson-area attraction? Why?



Airman
Joseph Acree
355th Security Forces
Squadron

"I really enjoy the Reid Park Zoo because it is a tropical oasis in the middle of the city. I like to take my daughter there and get away from the hustle and bustle."



Airman 1st Class
Tammy Holland
355th Wing

"I enjoy Mount Lemon because it does not take long to get to a spot where you can take in a view that is spectacular. You are able to see Tucson in a whole new light."



Lt. Col.
Rupert Laumann
612th Combat Operations
Squadron

"I really enjoy Mount Lemon because of all of the great outdoor things to do. I go up there to bike and hike. It's a great place to get away to."



Airman 1st Class
Robert McNutt
355th Services Squadron

"I have enjoyed going to Nogales. I have found the culture to be very interesting. Of course that is what I had hoped for when I joined the Air Force."



Staff Sgt.
Daryle Unseld
355th Civil Engineer
Squadron

"I enjoy watching the University of Arizona basketball team play. I love big college play, and it doesn't get any bigger than the U of A. When I have to settle for watching them on television, that's okay because my friends and I get together and have a great time."



Retired
Master Sgt.
Hack Useton

"I enjoy walking in the washes of Tucson. They provide a safe and tranquil atmosphere. Around every bend there is something new to see"

Military retirees receive lifelong health coverage

By Elizabeth Becker
New York Times

Congress recently approved permanent health care coverage for all retired career military members, at an estimated cost of \$60 billion over the next decade.

The new coverage, which was requested by the nation's senior military leaders, replaces a patchwork of benefits that relied on Medicare and a retiree's ability to use medical clinics at the nation's shrinking number of bases.

"This is keeping America's promise to our veterans," said Rep. Stephen Buyer, House of Representatives Indiana representative, who spearheaded the move in the House to guarantee the retirees this lifelong benefit.

In proposing the program last February, Gen. Henry Shelton, Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman, told Congress that recruiters and the country promised lifelong health care to the men and women who made the military a career.

"Keeping our promise of ensuring quality health care for military retirees is not only the right thing

to do, it also is a pragmatic decision because it sends a strong signal to all those considering a career in uniform," Shelton said.

In this election year, when both the military and improved health care are popular issues, the House easily passed the program Oct. 12 as part of the \$310 billion defense bill.

The Senate vote yesterday was 91-2, with Bob Kerrey of Nebraska and Russell Feingold of Wisconsin casting the opposing votes.

The House passed the legislation Oct. 11, 378-33.

President Clinton has endorsed the legislation and said he would sign it.

"This health plan is absolutely vital because it demonstrates we keep our word," said Virginia Senator John Warner, Armed Services Committee

chairman.

Conferees from the House and Senate agreed to make the military retiree's health plan a new entitlement program, so the benefits will be as permanent as Social Security or Medicare.

"Looked at from a federal budget perspective, it's troubling to make a significant new entitlement like this," said Robert Reischauer, Urban Institute president. "But looked at from the perspective of equity, retired civilian bureaucrats already have similar coverage as this new plan."

The heart of the new program is the expansion of the military's huge health care plan, known as TRICARE, to include those retirees who served at least 20 years in the military.



Senior Airman Shanda De Anda

(Left) Retired Army Capt. Bill Elliot, a four year volunteer at the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base satellite pharmacy, is one of the many retired members who will be affected by the new medical coverage. Elliot retired after 40 years of service.

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really are, a professional privilege," said Frank Black, Air Force Services Agency club division chief. "The air Force Scholarship Program focuses

attention on and increases awareness of Air Force clubs' value to the Air Force community" quality of life."

"As former college football coach Joe Paterno once said, 'Success with-

out honor is an unseasoned dish. It may satisfy your hunger, but it won't taste good.' Air Force clubs help members learn about honor through camaraderie with other military

members of all ranks, which helps to make the procession through the ranks more fulfilling and rewarding," Kebodeaux said.

Air Force Clubs—A Professional Privilege

The following is the essay that earned Kebodeaux his first place position during the fourth annual Air Force Club Membership Scholarships competition.

General George Washington's decision to allow Continental soldiers' access to his personal tents as a place for comradeship and recuperation was proof of his superior wisdom. From this simple act of graciousness was borne the long tradition of officer and enlisted clubs as customary professional privilege.

This custom was brought from the Army to today's Air Force where we still enjoy the privileges of good food, camaraderie, and repose in clubs worldwide. This tradition is the basis of improved morale and better family support that ultimately enhance combat readiness.

The Air Force club is an exclusive place where our unique military community can share and interact. From the retirees who use

the club as a place to reminisce and exchange the tales of yesteryear to the new airmen who discover the meaning of "profession of arms" and find practical applications of leadership in this traditional, if less formal, atmosphere. All understand the needs filled by this military icon.

Club activities promote professional bonding and improve morale, making for stronger unit cohesiveness. Celebrations and receptions are common cultural affairs, and our clubs have the best facilities; but great facilities are not everything. The club provides the appropriate atmosphere for military gatherings and holds a predominant place in our heritage. The Military Dining-in, PME graduations, and promotion ceremonies revitalize and reinforce pride in our profession. This cohesion and ca-

maraderie among young officers and NCOs are the essence of combat readiness.

This mentoring cannot be measured, nor is it tangible, yet we must realize it invigorates and inspires our protégés by fostering leadership

Military clubs were the setting for countless significant historical events where treaties were signed and dignitaries welcomed. Senior leaders depended upon the club as a familiar place for promotion and

recognition ceremonies, commander's calls, the other professional functions. The benefits of club membership privileges extend far beyond professional development as the military family also benefits from improved morale as a place to practice and enjoy our culture among friends.

Clubs-sponsored activities stabilize Air Force families. Fine dining, dancing parties, games and other en-

tertainment provide our families a place to interact. The clubs are a vital part of spouses' support network during unit deployments and crises. This support and stability at home improves the deployed warriors' spirits, sharpens readiness, and deepens commitment.

Healthy morale, professionalism, and pride, inspired by tradition, are the keys to combat success. The club is one place where these ideals are founded. Today, our senior leadership realizes the need to augment family stability and support. Their combined wisdom of experience and a forward-thinking vision enable the club system to evolve in meeting the needs of today's warrior. General Washington established this privilege for his troops because he grasped the impact of improved morale on the battlefield. Our clubs are not just a privilege for members and their families; but are crucial to sustaining superior forces.

Essayist's Biographical Notes: Clyde Kebodeaux graduated from the Community College of the Air Force, completing 39 credit hours with a 3.9 GPA. He is currently attending Chapman University.



Kebodeaux

41st ECS celebrates 20 years of jamming

Members of the 41st Electronic Combat Squadron witnessed a milestone in their long distinguished history recently — its 20th birthday.

Although this might suggest that the squadron hasn't been around for very long, in fact, they have a rich history, dating back to 1917, when they were Company A, 4th Balloon Squadron.

Before the end of World War I, the unit changed its name several times, to the 9th Balloon Squadron and finally it retired as the 9th Airship Squadron.

At the breakout of the second World War, the 9th Airship Squadron was resurrected as the 1st Observation Squadron. The squadron was designated to fly one of the first

motor-driven aircraft.

Forward air observation, artillery spotters and troop concentration observers filled the cockpits of these tiny aircraft as they constantly dared over and behind enemy lines to report vital intelligence to battlefield decision makers.

Over the course of the war, the unit flew seven different airframes, including the YO-50, YO-51, L-4, B-18A, O-49, CG-4A Glider, A-20 and finally the F-5.

At the close of the war, the squadron was renamed the 1st Reconnaissance Squadron, and put to bed once more.

The Vietnam War awoke the 1st Reconnaissance Squadron from its 20-year slumber and redesignated it

as the 41st Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron in 1967. The 41st TEWS was the first electronic warfare squadron in Air Force history and played an integral role in proving the military electronic warfare as a modern tactical weapon. The 41st TEWS flew out of RTAFB Takhli, Thailand, for the duration of the war, in which the squadron was awarded three presidential unit citations.

Due to the successes of electronic warfare in the Vietnam War, Air Force leadership realized the importance of electronic combat in supporting tactical forces.

June 17, 1980 Tactical Air Commands' General Creech reactivated the 41st TEWS and redesignated it as the 41st Electronic Combat

Squadron. The first Compass Call EC-130H aircraft landed at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base March 19, 1982.

In a historic ceremony, the aircraft commander handed over the symbolic wooden key to the squadron commander, paving the way for nine other compass call aircraft and 700 squadron members.

Today the squadron consists of over 300 operational and maintenance members with seven aircraft assigned.

The unit celebrated its 20th during a squadron picnic and sports day. The squadron also hosted its first annual combat dining out this year, which they anticipate becoming an annual event.

CPSC announces extinguisher recall

Recently, the Consumer Product Safety Commission announced more than 600,000 First Alert fire extinguishers are being recalled.

The CPSC says the extinguishers, which are either red or white, may not work when the trigger is pulled.

The recall involves First Alert's model number FE1A10G. Only fire extinguishers with serial numbers beginning with 'RH,' 'RK,' 'RL' or 'RP' are involved in the recall. The serial number can be found above the model number in a rectangular box.

The CPSC and the manufacturer, BRK Brands Inc., say there have been five reports of the fire extinguishers not working when the trigger is pulled. There have been no reports of injuries.

Consumers who have fire extinguishers that are being recalled should immediately contact First Alert Consumer Affairs at 1-866-669-2736 or go to the First Alert Web site at www.firstalert.com.



Courtesy photo

Vigilant Warrior Awardee

During a flightline security exercise conducted by Tech. Sgt. Darryl Gardner and Tech. Sgt. Edward Sudac, (left) Senior Airman John Walton (right), 355th Operations Group loadcrew member, immediately detected and detained an intruder, played by Sudac, who entered the 358th Fighter Squadron hangar. Walton urgently signaled others in the hangar of the Helping Hand situation by utilizing the manual signal and escorted the intruder to an area where he could not gain any intelligence information. Walton also directed a co-worker to notify authorities via the Helping Hand Hotline, answered all force protection questions with textbook accuracy and displayed the utmost sense of urgency. Tuesday, Walton became the first recipient of the 355th Wing commander's Vigilant Warrior Award for his outstanding effort.

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Davis-Monthan Air Force Base prepares for flu season

The 2000-2001 influenza program at Davis Monthan AFB is expected to get underway in late November. The Public Health Office will announce any and all plans as they develop. The flu vaccination program is delayed nationwide due to vaccine shortages resulting from slow growing components of the vaccine and from production problems in several facilities.

Currently, the vaccine is available at the 355th Medical Group in very limited supply and by writ-

ten prescription only to those individuals assessed by a 355th Medical Group physician to be at high risk based for their medical condition.

The base population of Active Duty, dependents, and other beneficiaries will be vaccinated through base wide shot lines when the vaccine supplies are adequate to support this provision. The 355 Medical Group and Public Health will announce the availability of the vaccine and the dates/times of the projected base wide shot lines

as the information becomes available. For non-active duty individuals, in addition to obtaining the flu vaccine on base when our supplies will be adequate, the flu vaccine can be obtained at a nominal cost through the Pima County Public Health Office. Call 1-800-352-3792 to find out the times and places nearest you. Public Health will be happy to address any questions or concerns at 228-2714. (Courtesy 355th Medical Group)

Commander, security forces get tough with on-base speeders

According to AFI 31-204, *Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision*, all Davis-Monthan Air Force Base vehicle operators must abide by traffic control measures.

In accordance with installation commander direction security forces will issue an on-scene driving suspension letter for members speeding excessively and their on-base driving privileges will be suspended for a seven-day period.

At the end of that seven-day period the individuals driving privileges will be re-instated and they will be placed on six-month probation. Recurrence of this violation during the probation period will result in a six-month suspension of driving privileges.

If the same person is caught speeding during or after the six-month period, their driving privileges will be suspended for one year. Another violation within that year will result in a punishment to be decided by the installation commander.

Security forces have increased their patrol coverage in the housing



Senior Airman Amie Gannon

Jesus Lileon, crossing guard, assists children crossing the street. A speeding car could change a day of learning into a day of tragedy. Davis-Monthan Air Force members are reminded to slow down and adhere to all posted speed limit signs.

areas over the last 10 months and will continue to focus on speeders.

This focus has resulted in 116 Suspension of Driving Privileges letters being issued since January. Members to lose their driving privileges include 34 active-duty, 18 ci-

vilians, 13 retirees, 37 dependents and 14 other drivers.

All personnel are encouraged to take an active role in reporting violations to the Security Forces Control Center at 8-3200. Traffic laws were designed to provide an efficient

system for managing traffic and pedestrian safety. It is incumbent upon all D-M members to follow established guidelines. (Courtesy 355th Security Force Squadron)

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Three bases to phase in new ID card in November

Three Air Force bases and an Air National Guard unit will begin testing the software used to produce a new Department of Defense common access card in November, Air Force officials said. The new card will eventually replace the standard military identification card.

Langley Air Force Base, Va.; Osan Air Base, Korea; Ramstein AB, Germany; and the 203rd RED HORSE Unit in Virginia Beach, Va.; were selected to begin the initial phase in of the card that's been dubbed a "smart card" because of its embedded microchip, magnetic stripe and two bar codes.

In October, DOD began issuing the new multi-purpose card which will become the standard ID card for about 4 million active-duty members, selected reserve, civilian employees and eligible contractors.

More than just an identification card, it will eventually allow physical access to secure areas, permit entry into computer networks and serve as the authentication token for the public key infrastructure.

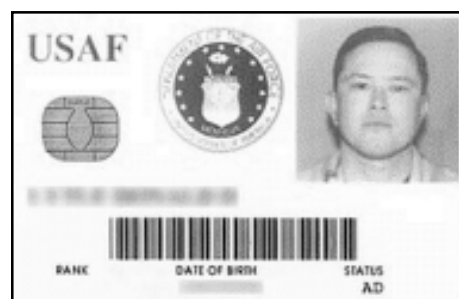
The common access card uses cutting-edge technology to reform processes, eliminate paper-based activities, ensure network security and enhance military readiness.

According to Col. William Nelson, Air Force director of architecture and interoperability, the new card can store up to 32 kilobytes of information, of which a portion is reserved for service applications.

"The Air Force will initially allocate its space by migrating existing smart card applications to the common access card," he said. Existing applications include the Falcon card issued to cadets at the Air Force Academy, Colo.; the Recruit card, issued to trainees at Lackland AFB, Texas; a Standard Asset Tracking System in use at 21 bases, but soon to be implemented Air Force-wide; and the Deployment Personnel Accountability Readiness Tool.

The common access card will be phased in over three stages. The first phase is the testing at Langley, Osan, Ramstein and the 203rd. The second phase, beginning in January, will add Hurlburt Field, Fla., and will test the SATS application. The third phase will involve issuing the new cards to about one-third of the Air Force target population in February 2001, with the remaining two-thirds getting their cards by September 2002.

The new ID is based on "smart card" technology that stores and pro-



Courtesy photo

The new Defense Department common access card, with a 32 kilobyte embedded computer chip, magnetic stripe and two bar codes, will eventually replace the standard military identification card.

cesses information on an integrated microprocessor chip. Embedded within the card, this chip is a small computer without a monitor or power supply. It has the capability to read, write and perform various operations on several thousand bytes of information. The common access card is about the size of an average credit card and will incorporate linear and two-dimensional bar codes and a magnetic stripe in order to enable the card to support other functions, either on a department-wide or individual command basis.

Among the possible activities being considered on a department-wide

basis are processing food services charges in military mess halls and updating manifest and deployment data. Also being evaluated are placing individual medical and dental information on the card, as well as student status, armory and property accountability, training and firing range performance.

"I applaud the fact this card gives our people a key technological tool to improve performance while protecting individual privacy," said Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Bernard Rostker, whose office assisted in the development of the card.

To protect privacy, the card is designed with minimum information to support its identification, access and management features. It complies with the Geneva Convention for the Uniformed Services. While the card will not include a personal handwritten signature, it will store certificates to enable cardholders to digitally sign documents such as e-mail, encrypt information, and establish secure Web sessions to access and update information via the Internet. These provisions are intended to enhance individual privacy in the department as computerized systems replace

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Work continues to keep USS Cole afloat after attack

A total of 17 crewmembers were killed Oct. 12 when a massive explosion blasted a hole into the left side of the USS Cole in Aden, Yemen. Approximately three dozen other sailors were injured in the apparent bombing and while the most seriously injured were receiving treatment in Germany, others arrived at Norfolk Naval Base, Norfolk, Va., Sunday.

Master Sgt. Kevin Lorensen, 355th Operations Support Squadron, was among the many to have family members aboard the USS Cole during the incident. Lorensen's brother, Master Chief Petty Officer Keith Lorensen, suffered severe leg injuries during the attack. The Davis-Monthan Air



Master Sgt. Keith Reed
Flight members at Ramstein Air Base, Germany pay their last respects to sailors killed in an apparent attack on the USS Cole as they are escorted from the C-17 Globemaster III that arrived from Yemen.

Force Base family support center was able to approve a \$500 grant to help Lorensen cover the expenses to be in Norfolk when his brother arrived Tuesday.

The Cole is an Arleigh Burke-class Aegis guided-missile destroyer. Manning calls for 26 officers and 315 sailors. The ship was in the middle of a six-month deployment. It left Norfolk June 21 and was due back home on Dec. 21.

While some sailors injured in the explosion that knocked a huge hole into the side of the destroyer returned to the United States, efforts continued off the Yemen coast to keep the damaged destroyer afloat.

The Navy reported that the ship again lost electrical power and a bulkhead collapsed under the water pressure. Crewmembers pumped out water by hand until power was restored Sunday. The Navy said the flooding had since "been stabilized." Divers who inspected the hull reported that the keel was not damaged and the ship was not in danger of sinking.

Relief from nearby ships, the destroyer USS Donald Cook and the frigate USS Hawes, are being used to give sailors on the Cole rest periods. Two other ships — the fast combat support ship USS Camden and the ocean tug USNS Catawba — were expected in the area by Tuesday.

Rear Adm. Mark Fitzgerald, deputy commander



Courtesy photo

An external explosion Oct. 12 ripped a 40-foot by 45-foot hole into the left side of the USS Cole.

of the Navy Central Command, said that the Cole's sailors were tired, but in good spirits. Navy medical, communications and security personnel have been providing assistance to the Cole's crew.

Navy officials said the blast was thought to be an act of terrorism. An assessment by Navy explosive experts concluded that the

damage to the destroyer was from an external explosion that ripped a 40-foot by 45-foot hole in the left side of the ship.

Navy officials said they are considering using the commercial offshore heavy transport ship Blue Marlin, to return Cole to the United States. Blue Marlin, basically a 700-foot sea-going dry dock, was in port in Dubai, United Arab Emirates being refitted to accept the 9,100-ton destroyer. It could be at the site of the Cole explosion in about a week. It could take another seven weeks before the Cole was back in U.S. waters.

Families who desire information should call 1-800-368-3202. Officials stress the number is intended for families of the Cole's crew only. Fifth Fleet officials said they are working to get information about the crew back to Norfolk as soon as possible. (Courtesy United Press International and American Forces Press Service)

New ID

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paper-based systems.

Each card is expected to cost about \$6 to \$8. Costs are expected to decrease as larger quantities are

purchased and technology and competition improves.

Development of the common access card culminates almost a decade of DOD interest in smart card applications. Initially, it was seen as a means of conveniently transporting small amounts of information,

but advances in technology allow increased storage as well as the capability to conduct secure data transfer and on-line transactions.

"In November 1999, the DOD leadership charged us to innovate by exploiting smart card applications throughout the department," said

Paul Brubaker, deputy chief information officer of the Department of Defense, whose office oversaw the technological development of the card. "The common access card answers the mail by allowing us to realize the potential that technology offers."

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Lt. Col. Steve Johns, (left) reviews personnel policy information with Staff Sgt. Sonya Mageau, a member of his administration staff.

Retreat -- time to reflect

By Lt. Col. Steve Johns
355th Training Squadron
commander

The first day of Operation Desert Storm I was fortunate enough to be part of the first wave of attacks and accomplish a mission I had signed up for when I entered the Air Force – defend the nation against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

As we taxied out to the runway, I was proud to see the American flags flying from every conceivable location. It seemed every member of our deployed wing had an American flag and was waving it in a show of patriotism and pride. The symbol of our country was everywhere we looked and we were proud to be part of the United States.

However, during a recent temporary duty assignment, I was shocked at the lack of respect given during the daily retreat ceremony.

I was amazed by the number of “track stars” running for their car or back to the building they had just exited, hoping no one saw them.

Unfortunately, I see these

events on a daily basis when retreat is sounded on our installation. This lack of respect may be from lack of knowledge on the heraldry of the ceremony or simply misplaced values.

In today’s society, we are in a hurry to get where we need to be and once there, in a hurry to depart and start the process all over. For some members of this wing, when retreat is sounded, it is considered another delay in getting to wherever you need to be, just like waiting in traffic at the Craycroft Gate. In actuality, the retreat ceremony is a time-honored tradition and a means of paying respect to our country and our fallen comrades.

The retreat ceremony, and yes, it is a ceremony, takes approximately two minutes out of your day. It is a small amount of time to pay your respects to the men and women who have served their country. According to Air Force Manual 36-2203, *Drill and Ceremonies*, the retreat ceremony signals the end of the official duty day

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Welcome to Davis-Monthan

Gen. John Handy, Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force
Gen. John Jumper, Commander, Air Combat Command
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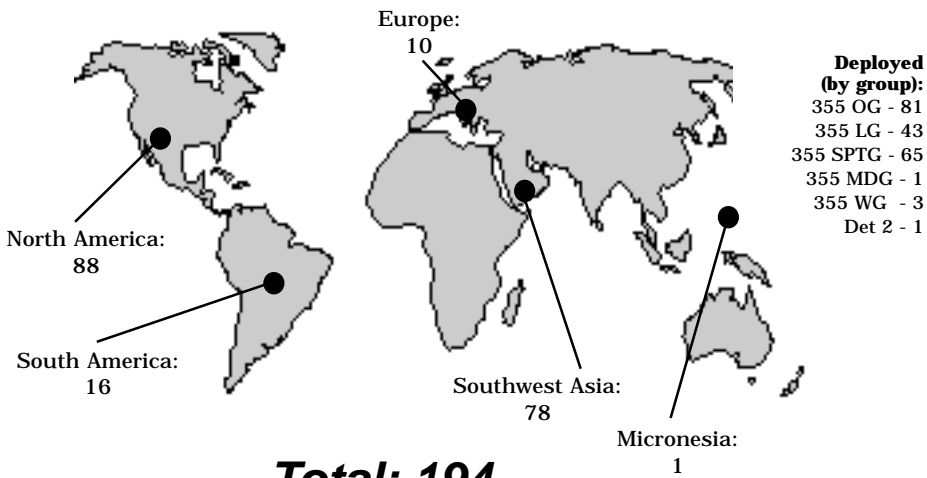
355th Wing Flying Goals

	Hours			Sorties	355th Wing Flying Goals		
	41st ECS	42nd ACCS	43rd ECS		354th FS	357th FS	358th FS
Goal	285	370	242		523	430	416
Flown	167	188	131		288	215	211
Delta	6	-6	-1		5	3	-19
FY 2001	6	-6	-1		5	3	-19

Current as of Wednesday

Where are 355th Wing members serving?

This week last year, **110** members of the 355th Wing were deployed.



Total: 194

Other locations -- 1
Current as of Monday

Source:
355th Mission Support Squadron
Personnel Readiness Unit



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By Capt. Alexis Stackhouse
355th Wing Legal Office

During this election year, many calls regarding political activities of military members are received. As the ethics counselor, there are several places I turn to in order to give out accurate information. The Joint Ethics Regulation (Department of Defense 5500.7-R) tells us that DoD policy encourages members of the armed forces to carry out the obligations of citizenship to the maximum extent possible consistent with the restrictions imposed by the law and by this regulation. The harder question posed for ethics counselors are: “When does good citizenship actually violate the law?”. Congressional and federal authorities have drawn the lines separating government service and political activities for us. The trick for ethics counselors is knowing where to look for the rules and helping people understand them. This article is designed to highlight the key sources of authority in determining which political activities are acceptable and which activities cross the line. Federal statutes (Titles 10, 2, 5, and 18 of the United States Code) govern political activities of Air Force members. These statutes are implemented by DoD Directive 1344.10, Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces on Active Duty (Attachment 1). DoDD 1344.10 includes a summary of the statutory restrictions pertaining to military members and political activities. Although the directive mainly

Legal officials detail acceptable political activities

addresses active-duty members, it also contains important guidance for reservists. The Air Force has further implemented the DoD policy in AFI 51-902, Political Activities by members of the U.S. Air Force. (Attachment 2) The primary purpose of these regulations is to prohibit any activity that associates uniformed service members with a partisan political cause or candidate. AFI 51-902 is a punitive instruction. The guidance in this area is very specific — both the DoD Directive and the AFI set out detailed lists of permissible and prohibited activities. Some of the guidance is obvious (such as, military members may register to vote, vote, and express personal opinions on political issues; military members may not use their official authority to interfere with an election). Other guidance is more thought provoking. For example, even though military members may join political clubs and attend meetings when not in uniform, they may not serve in any official capacity nor be listed as a sponsor of a partisan political club in their private capacities. Rules like this are not self-evident.

Distinctions are also made between the political activities of officers and enlisted members. Air Force officers must not only avoid prohibited political activities, but they must also avoid holding a “civil office,” which is a different concept. Under 10 U.S.C. 973, regular active-duty officers may not hold civil office in the federal government, a state government or any political subdivision of a state. While active-duty members may generally not campaign for or hold elective civil office, reservists and guard members acting in their personal capacities are not as restricted. If reserve and guard members campaign for elective office, they must be careful to avoid using their military status as a political selling point. This means that they must refrain from participating in political activities while in military uniform and from using government facilities for political activities (AFI 51-902, para. 8, supra). Political activity issues are not limited to election years. Every day, ethics counselors somewhere in the DoD are recognizing and resolving sensitive issues generated by political activities. When these issues arise, they involve a delicate balancing of an individual’s constitutional rights, the Air Force’s need for good order and discipline, and the fundamental separation of military and political affairs. Ethics counselors play a critical role in keeping the scales properly balanced.

Retreat

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and serves as a ceremony for paying respect to the flag—the symbol of our great nation. There is more to the ceremony than what is listed in the Air Force manual. The retreat bugle call dates back to

the crusades and was first used by the French army. Retreat was sounded to notify sentries to start challenging personnel entering the camp and for the rank and file soldiers to go to their quarters. The flag has flown over many battlefields and seen victory

and defeat. Each time the national anthem is played, every member of Team Davis-Monthan should take time to remember those men and women who have given their lives so that we enjoy our freedom. We are part of a great nation and owe a debt of grati-

tude to those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom. So next time you hear retreat sounding what are you going to do? Are you going to give the respect to the flag and fallen comrades that they so richly deserve or are you going to be the next “track star?”

Advertising

R.I.C.E. — The staple ingredient for minor injuries

By Staff Sgt. Kimberly Scalberg
355th Medical Group

Picture yourself dribbling the basketball down the court, weaving in and out of the opposing players with your eyes fixed on the basket. You go for the lay-up, but when you come back down, you don't expect another player's foot to be where you want to land. You land. Instantly, your foot rolls inward and you go down to the floor.

Well, there's no need to stew over that sprained ankle. Fortunately, there is a simple method to begin treating your injury to help minimize pain or swelling. Here is food for thought. Utilize the acronym R.I.C.E.

Rest: Swallow your pride and stop using your injured body part. Your teammates can continue the game without you or your vacuuming can wait until another day. Continued activities can lead to further injury and delay the healing process.

Ice: Ice is necessary to stop the internal bleeding from the damaged blood vessels and capillaries resulting from your injury. It is best to ice immediately after the injury. To prepare an ice pack, use the following recipe: Mix one part rubbing alcohol with three parts water in a large plastic bag. Freeze. It will have a slushy consistency and will conform well to your injured body part. If you're in a pinch for an ice pack, apply a frozen bag of vegetables to your injury. You can refreeze the bag for future icings. Just be sure to label the bag as non-edible. It is important to place a damp towel over your skin before applying the ice pack. Ice placed directly on your skin may damage it. Ice your injury 10 to 15 minutes twice an hour for the first four to six hours. Continue icing as necessary for the first 24 to 48 hours.

Compression: This will also help reduce swelling. Use an Ace bandage to firmly wrap the injury site. Begin wrapping the area below the injury site. Continue wrapping in an upward direction until you are above the injury site. Be sure not to wrap

the injury too tightly. Otherwise, you can cut off your circulation. Think of a burrito. If you wrap it to tightly, all the fixings come out the ends. Use the same concept when applying the Ace wrap. If you notice your skin rising above the surface of the Ace wrap at each end, you have it too tight. Other clues of circulation impairment include bluish color of the skin, cramping and numbness. Do not wear your Ace bandage at night or while sleeping.

Elevation: This is another key ingredient to decrease swelling and pain at the injury site. The important factor to remember in this piece of the pie is to elevate the injury above the heart. Lie down with the injured part placed on pillows. Most individuals make the mistake of elevating only to waist level i.e., sitting with the foot propped on a stool. Elevate your injury 10 to 15 minutes at a time.

Now that you have the taste for RICE, you will be steaming along in no time after a minor injury. Your efforts won't be fruitless. There is one last helpful hint. If your swelling or pain does not subside within two to three days, you should seek medical assistance by making an appointment with your primary care manager.

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month brings killer to light; MDG champions prevention steps

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is celebrating its 15th year of educating women about the importance of early detection for breast cancer.

During this time, mammography use has increased substantially and breast cancer death rates have declined.

Still, according to officials at the 355th Medical Group, many women do not utilize mammography at the regular intervals.

In recognition of the fact that mammog-

MDG readies for 'Clinic of future'

The 355th Medical Group is embarking on a major construction project in early November. This \$10.2 million structure will provide approximately 42,000 square feet of primary care office/exam space. Wellness and patient centered care is the focus of this award winning design — the "clinic of the future."

The new structure will be located adjacent to the Dental Clinic/Copper Clinic entrance (current parking lot). The building will house three primary care and one flight medicine/physical exam teams. Primary care, ENT/Dermatology, and Aerospace Medicine are scheduled to relocate to the new structure upon completion. The project is estimated for completion in 18-24 months.

Buildings 404, 412, and 413 will be demolished as a part of this project.

During the construction phase, parking for patients will be relocated to the parking area near the TRICARE building and behind buildings 400/413. A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for Thursday.

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Sonoran Spotlight

(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman that profiles a member of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base team. Members are nominated by their commander or first sergeant, and the article is compiled by the Desert Airman staff.)

For Staff Sgt. David Whitley, 358th Fighter Squadron NCO in charge of the commander's support staff, supporting his boss and managing personnel issues for the unit are the best aspects of the job.

Whitley's been on the job for nearly eight years, and has been doing it at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base for more than two years.

"All of my assignments have been my best assignment for a variety of reasons," he said. "It would be hard to pick one 'best' assignment."

The St. Louis native is married, has children and enjoys music, sports and poetry in his spare time.

According to the 358th FS first sergeant, Whitley has a real "knack" for making things happen in a unit with a large number of transiting personnel.

"We have a lot of people come through this unit because of all the A-10 students," said Master Sgt. James Riley. "Sergeant Whitley has worked nothing short of a miracle in getting our government travel card program under control. He's a tremen-



Airman 1st Class Latonia Brown

dously hard worker and believes in getting the job done right, no matter what."

Whitley said he joined the Air Force for travel and job security. A side benefit for him has been the people he's gotten to work with and for over the years. "Each assignment has it's own benefits ...

the people have made each one special."

Whitley claims Jesus as someone who inspires him. "He lived a sinless life in a world where that's tough to do."

Advertising

Titan Missile Museum rich in history, welcomes visitors

Story and photo by Karen Halstead
Public Affairs

In the early 1980s, the decision was made to eliminate Titan missiles as a defensive weapon system. Three Air Force bases, Little Rock, McConnell and Davis-Monthan, each had 18 missile sites. Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, housed the training program for members whose mission was to maintain and operate these missile sites.

A core group of retired Air Force members in Tucson were asked by the then-wing commander at D-M to serve on an ad hoc committee to evaluate the possibility of opening one of D-M's sites as a museum.

Together, retired Col. Charlie Niblett, retired Lt. Col. Orv Doughty and Hugh Matheson worked through the miles of red tape that began with the then-Strategic Air Command onto the Departments of the Air Force, Defense, State and finally, the National Security Council.

Site 571-7 was given the go-ahead to become a museum. These three men are known as the founders of the museum, according to Becky Roberts, the museum's deputy director.

In May 1986, the Titan Missile Museum opened its doors to the public and provide guided tours of the missile site. The museum is a part of the Arizona Air and Space Museums.

Extraordinary precautions have been taken to alter the facilities at the

site and move the Titan training missile from Sheppard to the museum.

The first stage engine of the Titan missile burns for 2 ½ minutes, the second stage for 3 minutes. Together they provide enough thrust for a 30 to 35 minute flight 5,500 to 6,500 miles from its point of origin.

Once the launch sequence begins there's no return. It takes 58 seconds from the key-turn until the missile launches. Within 19 seconds the missile produces 77 percent of its total thrust. Museum tour guide and retired Capt. Chuck Smith said the Titan missile was designed to stop a war that had already begun against the United States and not as a missile to begin a war. The museum's tour gives a first-hand view of Cold War reality.

When you visit the Titan Missile Museum, south of Tucson on Interstate 19, you learn a lot of information about these missiles and how the people who were Titan missileers lived and maintained these missiles.

Driving up to the museum, you see the familiar Air Force installation sign. The control center of the compound remains intact, except the missile definitely can't go anywhere, since its engines have been removed and the silo closure door has been permanently fixed in a half-open position.

When the site was operational, it was a 24-hour a day, seven day a

week operation with four-person teams, two officers and two enlisted. Teams replaced each other every 24-hour period.

The teams were assigned to the 390th Missile Installation Maintenance Squadron at D-M.

Construction of the site is discussed while touring the underground site. Concrete walls vary in depth, from four feet in some areas to eight in other places. Four, 6,000-pound steel entry doors remain in place. The complex was designed to withstand anything besides a direct hit.

The control center, the tunnel connecting the control center to the silo and the silo all have huge springs in their construction to absorb blast shock. The missile is suspended by the use of these same 3 ½ inch diameter springs. The springs were a central part of the construction of the site and were a safety feature for the crew had a missile ever been fired, according to retired Master Sgt. Ralph Hoemke, tour guide at the museum.

"The Titan missile was taken out of commission because of its high maintenance costs, not because it was a part of any treaty requirements," Hoemke said. "Now however, it complies with treaties in effect."

Doughty, Smith and Hoemke each had worked with the 390th MIMS at one time or another. Doughty had been a squadron commander, Smith, a crew commander and Hoemke, a maintainer. Now all three men continue their relationship with the site through their volunteer efforts at the museum.

You get to experience the launch sequence of the Titan missile as the museum tour guides walk you through it step by step. Discussing the sequence of events and who would have which responsibilities, all while turning keys and pushing buttons to make it seem real world. "It was designed as a two-input, one-output system," Clark said. "You worked in sets of two at all times."

"There was only one time when we absolutely had to request permission to break the two-man rule," Hoemke said. He and his partner were trying to enter the control center when the pin in the 11 ½ inch steel entry door jammed. It wouldn't open. Not only couldn't we get in, the officers inside couldn't get out either." After getting clearance from Headquarters SAC the crew commander came to the escape hatch and handed tools to Hoemke and his partner.

"The commander closed the escape hatch and returned to the control center and we went to work at taking

Volunteer call

The Titan Missile Museum operates because of their volunteer force, according to Becky Roberts, the museum's deputy director. The museum needs volunteers. People interested in volunteering don't need to know much about the Titan missile, because the museum offers a self-paced training program.

In addition to the training program they also offer job descriptions for each position at the museum. Many of the volunteers have served in the armed forces.

"We have unique volunteer involvement. Not in numbers of volunteers," Roberts said. "But in the quality of the volunteer and their work. It's their personal touch that makes the difference."

Anyone interested in volunteering at the museum can contact Sue Hein, the museum's volunteer coordinator, at 625-7736.



Retired Master Sgt. Ralph Hoemke shows the escape hatch at the Titan Missile Museum.

both pin and bolt mechanisms apart. We didn't know which one was jammed. Eventually we fixed the problem. But to my knowledge, this was the only time the two-man rule was broken. Broken, of course, with permission." The pins that lock the huge door are about four inches in diameter.

According to Smith, the Zulu clock hasn't been maintained since the site was officially deactivated in June 1984. But it still runs. "There isn't any need to check the calibration of the clock anymore," he said.

More than 600,000 visitors have toured the museum since it opened. Touted as the only publicly accessible missile complex in the world, it was declared a National Historical Landmark in 1994. The museum's goal is to preserve and present missile technology of the 20th century and beyond for future generations.

The museum is working to build a new visitors center. They have currently raised about \$400,000 towards the \$1 million construction cost. More information about the Air Force Titan Missile Program can be found at the USAF Museum at www.wpafb.af.mil

A and A Days: Cockpit notes

Maj. Mike “Chanz” Chandler, pilot of the Air Combat Command F-15C East Coast Demonstration Team, will fire up his Eagle, Nov. 4 and 5 and grace the skies over Davis-Monthan Air Force Base during Aerospace and Arizona Days 2000.

Chandler and his team are one of six ACC teams – flying the F-15C, F-16C and A-10A – that perform aerial precision maneuvers, demonstrating to the public the unique capabilities of the Air Force’s high-performance fighter aircraft.

They are tasked with demonstrating the Air Force’s modern weapon systems, promoting community and international relations, reinforcing public confidence in the Air Force, demonstrating the professional competence of Air Force members, and positively affecting Air Force recruitment efforts.

Chandler’s F-15C is based at Langley AFB, Va., and the team typically flies more than 50 demonstrations in an average season.

More than 10 million spectators will see the demonstration in more than 25 different locations throughout the United States and Canada.

The F-15C is an all-weather, extremely maneuverable, tactical fighter designed to permit the Air Force to gain and maintain air superiority in aerial combat. The first Eagle was delivered to the Air Force in November 1974.

They have deployed to support Operation Southern Watch, Operation Provide Comfort and Operation Northern Watch in Turkey, in support of NATO operations in Bosnia, and recent air expeditionary force deployments.

The East Coast team shares F-15 demonstration duties with the West Coast team, based at Eglin AFB, Fla.

(right) The F-15C’s full afterburner take-off can be seen at D-M’s A&A Days 2000 Nov. 4 and 5.



Courtesy photo

Korean War remembered



(Editor’s note: As America recognizes its veterans (over the next three years) to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Korean War, the Desert Airman will run significant events

related to the Korean War.) This week in 1950, the following significant Air Force events occurred:

Oct. 20: Far East Air Forces Combat Cargo Command dropped the Army 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team 30 miles north of Pyongyang. Seventy-one C-119s and 40 C-47s participated in the operation, dropping more than 2,800 troops and 300 tons of equipment and supplies at Sukchon and Sunchon. The command also began airlifting 8th Army supplies to Pyongyang.

Oct. 21: UN forces from Pyongyang linked up with the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team in the Sukchon and Sunchon area. H-5s of the 3rd ARS evacuated some 35 paratroopers in the first use of a helicopter in support of an airborne operation. H-5s also evacuated seven American POWs from the area. A C-47 equipped with loudspeakers persuaded some 500 enemy troops hiding in houses south of Kunmori to surrender. Combat Cargo Command began aeromedical evacuations from Pyongyang.

Oct. 23: The cargo command concluded its fourth consecutive day of airlift for the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team. The Flying Boxcars had airdropped almost 4,000 troops and nearly 600 tons of materiel, including jeeps, trucks, and howitzers.

Oct. 24: Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur removed restrictions on how far U.S. troops could move into North Korea, giving them

permission to go all the way to the Chinese border.

Oct. 25: FEAF Bomber Command temporarily quit flying combat missions for lack of B-29 targets in Korea. FEAF removed all restrictions on close air support missions near the Yalu River, allowing fighter operations all the way to the Chinese border. FEAF Combat Cargo Command set a new daily record by airlifting 1,767 tons of equipment.

Oct. 26: ROK forces reached the Yalu River along the Chinese border at Chosan in northwest Korea. Chinese forces severely savaged a ROK battalion near Onjong. ROK and UN troops captured the first CCF prisoners. FEAF Combat Cargo Command C-119s dropped supplies to friendly ground troops cut off in North Korea, delivering twenty-eight and a half tons of ammunition, fuel, and oil near Unsan, some fifty miles south of Chosan.

Cactus Cowboy Corral

History comes alive in sport nearly forgotten

By Angie Erickson
Public Affairs

Recently, pop singer Paula Cole sang a song asking, "where have all the cowboys gone?"

Perhaps once in a while you see someone wearing a cowboy hat or flip through the television channels and see an old western playing.

Have you ever stopped and wondered about how far our society has advanced and where have all the cowboys gone? And does the old west still exist?

"Yes, but not for long," said Leonard Summers, a retired electronics warfare officer. After retiring from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in 1996, Summers started focusing on his family, and it did not take long for him to find an interest that his family would come to share and love – trick roping.

"It is an art form from the old west that is slowly fading away," Summers said. Realizing that, he formed the Cactus Cowboy Corral in May of 1999. He gathered more than 20 rootin' tootin' youngsters that are ropin' their way around the west, performing not only in Arizona, but also Oklahoma, New Mexico, Nevada and California.

"We have been extraordinarily busy with performances, and we are now starting to receive invitations to perform for future events. We are expected to rope at the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame in August 2002 in Fort Worth, Texas."

Comprised of primarily young boys, ages 8 and up, there are a few young girls who are getting into the swing of things. Although they sport five different costumes, they have become quite recognizable and a popular favorite at D-M events. They have performed at the Red, White and Barbecue, the Enlisted Club Family Night and the Child Development's Annual Day In The Park.

"We feel a sense of patriotism when we perform on D-M," Summers said. We would very much like to recruit more youngsters and continue to keep the tradition of rope spinning alive."

The act is never the same as Summers narrates to the audience what each perfor-



Angie Erickson

Members perform at the Red, White and Barbeque, a base-wide picnic held last year to honor the men and women of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. The event is one of many the youngsters attend at D-M. They hope to keep interest in the sport of trick roping alive and recruit others to join their organization.

mance is about. "We have a routine that is very much like a fireworks presentation," he said. "We start out with easy tricks and then go into real crowd pleasers – like spinning a 40- to 60-foot loop."

When you ask Summers whom the children learned their techniques from he will start to talk about Will Rogers, Tom Mix, Rex Allen and Annie Oakley. For those who are familiar with these western legends know that they were truly remarkable performers.

"Tom Mix was the John Wayne of his day," Summers said. "Although he was on the silent screen he had the 'I want to be a cowboy' persona."

Summers has been resourceful in gathering trick roping techniques from a movie entitled "Roping Fool," a silent movie that stars Will Rogers. "I learned about that movie from Will Rogers, Jr. during a book signing. He re-made the movie and narrated it. It has been a very useful tool because it emphasizes the roper."

However, more importantly says Summers, "We have the privilege of learning this sport from a national treasure, Forrest Hobbs, who is truly one of last remaining to have knowledge of this fading skill."

Hobbs, 83 years old, travels once a month from Belen, N.M., to instruct the members of Cactus Cowboy Corral. "He has a knack for bringing out the best in the kids," Summers said. "He looks at what a kid can do, and then he will ask the child if they ever thought about this? And then he will show him/her something new."

Summers says it's very gratifying for him because he is able to give children an activity that not only helps build their self esteem, but teaches social skills and gives them insight into history and American culture.

"Not everyone can just pick up a rope and start doing this right away. We are generally dealing with urban kids who have not had a chance to rope a cow or have ever performed at a rodeo. We have to teach them the basics of roping. And once they start getting the fundamentals down, they are excited."

Although he boasts about the talents of his ropers, and the fact that they could enhance any background of a western movie, he says it's not about winning any competition, but about the experience of the event that counts. Like being at Rex Allen's final public appearance and hearing 86-year old Quanah Parker give a rare performance of a war chant.

"We are teaching the children that there is much more to life than television and video games. We offer a skill and a history lesson as we journey around the Western United States, and we hope to draw more interest to this nearly forgotten sport," Summers said.

For more information about the Cactus Cowboy Corral, call 647-7208, visit their website at www.cactuscowboycorral.org or stop by and take a turn at rope spinning at their demonstration during A&A Days, Nov. 4 and 5. "We encourage everyone to at least give it a try," he said.

Sports Shorts

All-Star Softball

Top players from each league will gather for an All-Star Softball game, Oct. 27, at 5:30 p.m., at the Thunderbolt Field (originally Mustang I). Events begin at 4:30 p.m., with a home run derby, followed by player introductions, posting of the colors, and a formal dedication of the field by Col. Bobby Wilkes, 355th Wing commander, who will throw out the first ball. Call the fitness center at 8-3714 for more information.

Intramural runs

D-M's next 3K, 5K and 10K intramural run is Oct. 27. Military runners participate by squadron for Commanders Trophy points in men's and women's categories. Competition is according to age group. Unaffiliated military and civilian athletes of all ages take part individually. Runs begin at 7 a.m.; register at 6:30 a.m. Start and finish lines are inside the Swan gate. The fitness center has further details at 8-3714.

Volleyball clinic

Preteens and teens are invited to a free volleyball clinic, Nov. 9. The clinic runs from 6 to 7:30 p.m., at the youth center gym. Youth sports director Kathy Sands has details at 8-8373.

Muscle Mania competition

The Air Education and Training Command Muscle Mania Sports Competition is Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. at the Desert Star Enlisted Club on Luke Air Force Base. As part of Muscle Mania, Luke will hold a men's and women's division bodybuilding competition divided by weight class and judged by military bodybuilding award winners and professional athletes. Although open to the public, only the military winners will proceed to the Air Education and Training Command competition May 1, 2001 in San Antonio. Cal Vic Conyers at (623) 856-6241 for more information.

Football Frenzy

Football Frenzy is every Monday at the Desert Oasis Club. Fans are invited to the club every Monday for NFL football, snacks, pizza, wings and beverage specials. Valuable local prizes will be given away every week. Members and their guests can win mini footballs, sports bags and pullovers and a \$150 MasterCard gift card. National prize winners go to the San Francisco-San Diego game, Dec. 3, the Tampa Super Bowl, Jan. 28, and the Honolulu Pro Bowl, Feb. 4. Trips include airfare and hotel accommodations for two, and a rental car. Only club members (either club) are eligible for national prizes. Sponsors are SatoTravel, Miller Brewing Co., American Airlines, Comfort Inn (San Diego), Double Tree Alana Waikiki (Pro Bowl), and Air Force Clubs (no federal endorsement intended). Call the Desert Oasis at 748-8666.

Skeet and trap open weekends

D-M's modern skeet and trap ranges open at 8 a.m., Saturdays and Sundays. Military shooters pay \$3 a round; civilians pay \$3.50. Per-round savings are available for purchasers of annual range fees. Ranges are at the east end of Yuma Road, adjacent to the small arms range. Call outdoor recreation, at 8-3736.

Volksmarch

Military and civilian volksmarchers and their guests can sign up now for Global Volksmarch XX, Oct. 28 and 29, along an on-base 10K (6.2-mile) course. Participation is free; however, past and current medals and IVV stamps may be purchased. Entry forms are available at the outdoor recreation center, Building. 4430, or phone 8-3736.

Women's soccer

Anyone interested in playing on the women's base soccer team is encouraged to call or e-mail Kristina Ott. Her e-mail address is kristina.ott@dm.af.mil and her phone number is

8-9839. All women (officers, enlisted and family members older than 18) are welcome to play regardless of skill level. Practices start soon.

Tennis machines

Automatic tennis practice machines can be checked out from the fitness center. There's no cost to use the equipment, which can be plugged in at the base tennis courts across from Bama Park. Players supply their own tennis balls. Get information at the fitness center, 8-3714.

Aerobics, exercise classes

The staff at the Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center offer a full lineup of exercise and aerobics classes each week. Call 8-3714 for more information.

Monday - 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Marie); 12:20 to 1 p.m. - Spinner (Steve); 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Aerobics (Rumiko); 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. - Kajukenbo (Paul)

Tuesday - 8 to 9 a.m. - Senior aerobics (Corinne); 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica/Rumiko); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Circuit training (Corinne); 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. - Kyokushin (Idris)

Wednesday - 10:10 to 11 a.m. - Spinner (Corinne); 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Kick box (Corinne); 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Belly dancing beginners (Basheera); 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Belly dancing advanced (Basheera)

Thursday - 10 to 11 a.m. - Senior aerobics (Corinne); 11:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. - Step aerobics (Marie); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Training (Corinne); 5 to 6 p.m. - Step aerobics (Rumiko); 6:10 to 8:10 p.m. - Kyokushin (Idris)

Friday - 11 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. - Step aerobics (Veronica); 12:10 to 1 p.m. - Spinner (Steve); 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Kajukenbo (Paul)

Saturday - 10 to 11 a.m. - Step aerobics (Rumiko); 11 a.m. to noon - Spinner (Corinne)

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(Women): Sondra Calley, 572	

Intramural - National

(Week 7)

Team	W-L
AMARC	33-15
12 AF #1	31-17
SVS	30-18
COMM	26-22
TRANS	26-22
AMMO	24-24
SUPS	22-26
25 OWS #1	22-26
358th Wrekin Krew	20-28

12 AF #3	20-28
MSS	18-30
CRS	16-32
High Scratch Game (Team):	
SVS, 974	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
SVS, 2787	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Charles Matthews, 268	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
Charles Matthews, 672	
High Scratch Game	
(Women): Paulita Trezevant, 191	
High Scratch Series	
(Women): Paulita Trezevant, 527	

Tuesday Early Risers

(Week 7)

Team	W-L
Hit and Miss	34-14
Ally Kats	31-17
Hot Cats	28-20
Wee Bee Bad	25-23
The Monarchs	20-28
Soon's Runway	20-28
Dream Catchers	18-30
OUI 3	16-32
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Dream Cathcers, 460	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Hit and Miss, 1302	
High Scratch Game: Sadi	
Croxtton, 180	
High Scratch Series: Diana	
Scott, 489	

Phantom Mixed

(Week 4)

Team	W-L
The Cajuns	28-4

So So's	24-8
Strikebusters	21-11
Three Ns and a D	19-13
Six Pack	19-13
Sweet Revenge	16-16
Lucky Seven	15-17
Strike Force	14-18
Avengers	10-22
Alley Ooops	8-24
Rat Pack	8-24

OWC

(Week 4)

Team	W-L
Lady Flyers28-4	
Coyotes	20-12
KIDDS	20-12
Snuffers	18-14
Alley Cats	16-16
The Eastsiders	12-20
Splitsters	12-20
High Scratch Game: Fran	
Schmidt, 189	
High Scratch Series: Donata	
Oliver, 532	

D-M Pinrollers

(Week 5)

Team	W-L
Uh Huh Girls	28-12
Dreamers	27-13
Team #5	26-14
We Don't Know	24-16
L-A-D-Y	22-18
Team #6	21-19
Kachina Dolls	17-23
Annie's Girls	17-23
Dream Catchers	16-24
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Team 9, 647	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Dreamers, 1869	
High Scratch Game: Gloria	

McKinney, 195
High Scratch Series: Gloria
McKinney, 539

CE Mixed

(Week 5)

Team	W-L
The Cans	30-2
Good, Bad & Ugly	26-6
MILF's	26-6
BJ's Bunns	22-10
Fire Dawgs	18-14
Just-4-Fun	16-16
Kelly B	10-14
Perry	4-28
Brew Crew	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Bryan Chambliss, 205	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
Bryan Chambliss, 579	
High Scratch Game: Gail	
Johnson, 177	
High Scratch Series: Gail	
Johnson, 501	

Thursday Night

(Week 5)

Team	W-L
The Prickly Pairs	28-12
Desert Strikers	26-14
DMS	26-14
Four Seas	26-14
Pick One	24-16
Pintendos	22-18
PBJs	22-18
Nice-N-Spicy	18-22
Lickity Splits	18-22
BMs	18-22
Ice Breakers	18-22
Bucks-N-Does	14-26
Cool Cs	10-30
Road Runners	10-30
High Scratch Game (Team):	

Desert Strikers, 768
High Scratch Series (Team):
Pick One, 2160
High Scratch Game (Men):
Lloyd Lee, 247
High Scratch Series (Men):
Smitty Smith, 634
High Scratch Game
(Women): Mary Davis, 205
High Scratch Series
(Women): Suzie Bolton, 523

Friday Nite Fun

(Week 6)

Team	W-L
AAFES	30-10
The Misfits	28-12
Wannabees	26-14
Kum Cantasi	26-14
3 Roses and a Thorn	24-16
More BS	21-19
Just Us	20-20
Just Havin Fun	18-14
Double Trouble	15-25
O Spare Us	14-26
Gutter Dusters	10-30
High Scratch Game (Team):	
More BS, 766	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
More BS, 2197	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Ken Bettis, 255	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
Tom Lorentz, 666	
High Scratch Game	
(Women): Reda Lowe, 246	
High Scratch Series	
(Women): Kris Spieker, 604	

Bantams

(Week 5)

Team	W-L
N Sync	35-5
Dragons	29-11
Tigers	16-24
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Dragons, 226	

High Scratch Series (Team):
Dragons, 578
High Scratch Game (Boys):
Cody Sechler, 41
High Scratch Series (Boys):
Jonathon Willis, 240
High Scratch Game (Girls):
Danielle Wayman, 58
High Scratch Series (Girls):
Sabrina Wayman, 193

Preps/Juniors/ Majors

(Week 5)

Team	W-L
Fox Hound	32-8
The Xtremes	30-10
Alley Cats	26-14
Undertakers	24-16
Jaguars	22-18
Desert Pros	22-18
Strikers	18-22
Unlimited	16-24
N Sync Fireballs	14-26
Pinbusters	14-26
Desert Strikers	12-28
The Bulldogs	10-30
High Scratch Game (Team):	
The Xtremes, 439	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Fox Hound, 1242	
High Scratch Game (Boys):	
Dale Phelps, 126 (Preps);	
Nathan Thorne, 156	
(Juniors); Jason Wakefield, 164 (Majors)	
High Scratch Series (Boys):	
Tyler Johnson, 382 (Preps);	
Brandon Welsh, 421	
(Juniors); Mike CuvIELLO, 463 (Majors)	
High Scratch Game (Girls):	
Rosashell Wayman, 80	
(Preps); Amber Welsh, 140	
(Juniors); Lynn Campbell, 109 (Majors)	
High Scratch Series (Girls):	

Rachel Ross, 322 (Preps);
Ebony Wayman, 365
(Juniors); Jennifer Kerr, 342
(Majors)

Softball

Mon/Wed

(Final - Regular Season)

Team	W-L
MDG	11-2
357 FS	11-2
43 ECS (A)	10-3
TRANS/LSS	9-4
EMS/AMMO	9-4
Supply	9-4
CRS	7-6
372 TRS	6-7
12 AF (B)	6-7
12 AF (B)	6-7
OSS	4-9
41 ECS	4-9
354 FS	3-10
42 ACCS (B)	2-11
DeCA	0-13

Tues/Thurs

(Final - Regular Season)

Team	W-L
SFS	13-0
12 AF (A)	12-1
TRS	11-2
CES	9-4
CS	9-4
358 FS	8-5
42 ACCS (A)	7-6
EMS/AGE	6-7
CRS (A)	3-8
25 OWS	3-9
162 ANG	3-10
41 ECS (B)	2-9
AAFES	1-11
SVS	1-12

Advertising



Chapel events

Protestant schedule

Today: Aim High Bible Study, 7 p.m., Chapel 1 annex. Call 889-1715 for more information.

Saturday: Couples' Bible Study, 7 p.m., call 749-5550 for more information.

Sunday: Contemporary Worship Service, 8:30 a.m., Chapel 1; Sunday School, 10 a.m., Chapels 1 and 2; Traditional Worship Service, 11:15 a.m., Chapel 2 annex; Inspirational Gospel Worship Service, 11:15 a.m., Chapel 1.

Tuesday: Ladies Bible Studies: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. (nursery provided), Chapel 1, or 11:30 to 12:30 p.m., Chapel 1; Singles Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Building 3220; Bible Study for Moms, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Chapel 1.

Wednesday: Midweek Bible Study, noon, Chapel 1; Prayer and Teaching Time, 7 p.m., Chapel 1; Youth Night, for middle and high school groups, Chapel 1, 7 p.m. Call 8-5411 for more information.

Catholic schedule

Saturday: Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel 1; Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Joseph's Church, 4 to 5 p.m.

Sunday: Mass, 7:30 and 10 a.m., Chapel 1; Sacrament of Reconciliation, 9:15 to 9:45 a.m., Chapel 1.

Monday through Friday: Rosary, 11:10 a.m., Chapel 2; Mass or communion service, 11:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

Wednesday: Rite for Christian Initiation 7 to 8:30 p.m., Chapel 1.

Islamic schedule

Today: Prayer service, noon to 2 p.m., Building 3220, third floor-west; educational classes, 6 to 8 p.m., Building 3220, third-floor west.

Chapel Web site

Visit the chapel Web site for more information about services, upcoming events, important phone numbers, and more. Just type the Web address, www.dm.af.mil/chapel, and explore the possibilities of your faith.



On-base clubs

Officers' Club

Today: Cook Your Own night, 5 to 8 p.m.

Saturday: Barber open, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., call 748-8968.

Sunday: Sunday Brunch, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; adults, \$13.95.

Monday: Club closes at 2 p.m.; barbershop at 5 p.m.

Tuesday: Prime rib for two, \$19.95.

Wednesday: Two-for-one Steak Night, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Thursday: Pasta Bar, \$8.95.

Desert Oasis Enlisted Club

Today: Seafood special is 5 to 8 p.m.

Saturday: Sports bar opens at 5 p.m.

Sunday: Cabana open, 1 to 8 p.m., call 747-3234.

Monday: Win prizes at Football Frenzy.

Tuesday: Two-for-one Night; two steak dinners, \$9.95. Bingo, 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Friday is Double Services Buck Night.

Thursday: Call Wendy for catering information.

Be a Hero

Eight D-M families will win three-night vacation packages in Air Combat Command's annual Be a Hero promotion. Weekly drawings begin today, and are every Friday, through Dec. 15 (except Nov. 10). A separate ninth drawing, Dec. 15, is for a \$200 AT&T long-distance voucher. To be eligible, stop by a D-M Services location and pick up your Be a Hero card. When an adult and child take part in a services activity, their card is stamped; nearly all services activities qualify. Cards with five stamps are eligible for the next Friday drawing. Visit www.servicity.com for a bonus stamp (no federal endorsement of sponsors intended). There is no limit on how many cards your family can fill. Cards not selected in a weekly drawing remain the box for the next drawing. All packages include resort accommodations, and most feature breakfast, golf, discounts and tickets to location attractions (transportation excluded; packages may vary). Get further information from a local services activity, or call services marketing, 8-5950.

Officers' Club barbershop

Officers' Club barbershop manager Peg Dominguez has announced upcoming changes affecting the facility. New hours are Mondays through Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Fridays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. More barbers have been added, ladies' haircuts and styling services would be emphasized, and hair care products would soon be available. Future changes include the addition of a nail boutique and shoe shine parlor. The shop can be reached at 748-8968.



Youth programs

Today: Preteen/teen volleyball clinic, Nov. 9, call 8-8373.

Saturday: Teen pool tourney, 7 to 8:30 p.m., call 8-8844.

Monday: Youth center clothing/food drive ends Thursday.

Tuesday: Haunted House tours, 6 to 8 p.m. at youth center. Youth center preteen Uno tourney, 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Haunted House runs through Friday, call 8-8844 Center primaries make Halloween bags, 5:30 p.m. Power Hour is 4 to 5 p.m.

Thursday: Preschool Story Hour at library, at 10 a.m., call 8-4381. Carnival at youth center, Friday, 4 to 8 p.m.

Haunted house

The youth center's haunted house is open Tuesday through Oct. 27. Tours, 6 to 8 p.m., are \$3 for youngsters and adults. This is the 16th Annual Haunted House. Another annual event, the Halloween Carnival, is 4 to 8 p.m., Oct. 27. Attractions include rides, jumping castles, carnival games and more. Admission is free (charge for most activities). Volunteers are needed for the haunted house and carnival. Call 8-8844 for further information.



Community events

Today: 5K Intramural Run, 7 a.m., call the fitness center, 8-3714. Sign-ups ends Nov. 18 for steamboat cruise, call ITT, 8-3700.

Saturday: Hike to Seven Falls with outdoor recreation center, call 8-3736. Cosmic Bowl, 7 to 11 p.m. at the D-M Lanes.

Monday: Marketplace is 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the community center, call 8-3717.

Tuesday: Volksmarch is Oct. 28 and 29; call outdoor recreation center, 8-3736.

Wednesday: Gold Pin bowling at the D-M Lanes, call 8-3461. Yoga class is 6 to 7 p.m. at the community center, call 8-3717.

Thursday: 10K Intramural Run is Friday, call 8-3714. TCC Harvest Festival starts Oct. 27, call ITT at 8-3700.

Hourly child care

Parents of children ages 2 through 6 can now reserve hourly child care, Tuesdays and Fridays. Care is at the community center, Building 4201, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m., and costs \$3 per hour. Hourly care is not drop-in care.



Family support

Tuesday: Time for Tots, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1. Right Start Orientation, 8 a.m. to noon, community center, Building 4201.

Thursday: Fun Time Activity Group, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

VA benefit briefing

Individuals who are 180 days from separating or retiring should attend one of the monthly transition assistance program seminars and receive the veterans affairs briefing on loans, education, and disability benefits. The family support center conducts an extra Veterans Affairs benefit briefing each month for members who are unable to attend the primary one. The next briefing is 9 a.m. to noon Nov. 2 at the community center. Call 8-5690 for reservations.

Halloween party

The Hearts Apart Halloween party is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oct. 28 at the family support center. To make reservations, contact the family support center at 8-5690.